GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:235
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SETTING UP OF DISTRICT PLANNING COMMITTEES
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have directed the States to constitute District Planning Committees;

(b) if so, whether all the States have constituted such Committees;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the details of States that have not constituted the Committees so far; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU)

(a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in Reply to the Lok Sabha Starred Question No.235 Due for Answer on 19th March, 2002

According to Article 243-ZD of the Constitution, the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations are required to set up District Planning Committees (DPCs). A statement indicating the available status of constitution of DPCs is contained in the Annexure.

The State Chief Ministers and Administrators of Union Territories have been advised to ensure setting up of DPCs at the earliest. In the Conference of the Ministers of States incharge of Panchayati Raj held on 11th July, 2001 at New Delhi, it was resolved that the State Governments and UT Administrations would set up DPCs by the end of December, 2001 and they have been requested to intimate the steps taken in this direction.

Annexure

Status of District Planning Committees

S.No	States/UTs	Status of constitution of DPCs
1	Andhra Pradesh	Not constituted
2	Arunachal Pradesh	Not constituted
3	Assam	Not constituted
4	Bihar	Not constituted
5	Chhattaisgarh	Constituted
6	Goa	Not constituted
7	Gujarat	Not constituted
8	Haryana	Only in 16 Districts. Rest under consideration
9	Himachal Pradesh	Only in 7 Districts out of 12. Minister is Chairperson of DPC
10	Karnataka	Only in 5 Districts. Rest under consideration
11	Jharkhand	Not constituted
12	Kerala	Yes, Chairman of District Panchayat (DP) is Chairman of DPC
13	Madhya Pradesh	Yes. District incharge Ministers are Chairpersons.
14	Maharashtra	Not constituted
15	Manipur	Yes in 2 districts out of 4. Adhyksha, DP is Chairperson
16	Orissa	Only in 6 Districts. Rest under consideration
17	Punjab	Not yet but constitution is under active consideration
18	Rajasthan	Yes. Chairman of DP is Chairman of DPC
19	Sikkim	Yes
20	Tamil Nadu	Yes. Chairperson, DP is Chairperson of DPC
21	Tripura	Not constituted
22	Uttar Pradesh	Yes. Ministers incharge of Districts are Chairpersons.
23	Uttaranchal	Not constituted

24	West Bengal	Yes. Chairperson, DP is Chairperson of DPC
25	A&N Islands	Yes. Chairman of DP is Chairman of DPC
26	Chandigarh	Not constituted
27	D&N Haveli	Yes. Chairman, DP is Chairman of DPC
28	Daman & Diu	Yes. Chairman, DP is Chairman of DPC
29	Lakshadweep	Yes. Collector cum Dev. Commissioner is Chairperson
30	Pondicherry	Not constituted. Panchayat Elections not held so far

The 73rd Amendment Act is not applicable in Meghalaya, Mizoram and Nagaland.
Jammu & Kashmir and NCT of Delhi are yet to adopt the provisions of this Act.